

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)
Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

SEVERE WEATHER/FLOODING

SITUATION REPORT # 6

1300 Hours 2 July 2006

New Information in Bold Italics

SUMMARY

The combination of tropical moisture steered northward around a low pressure system near Florida and a stationary frontal boundary across the Mid-Atlantic and New England States led to substantial rainfall and flooding across portions of the Commonwealth beginning 23 June and continuing for several days.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation:

The Virginia Emergency Operations Center is at Response Operations condition coordinating conference calls, monitoring weather and river flow reports, assessing totality of the event's impact across the Commonwealth, producing Situation Reports and coordinating response and recovery efforts with local governments.

State of Emergency:

Governor Timothy M. Kaine declared a Statewide Emergency on June 28, 2006 directing State Agencies to take all necessary actions to aid in the recovery from flooding, mudslides and potential tornadoes that have affected the Commonwealth since June 23, 2006. Governor Kaine requested a Presidential Declaration 30 June for the counties of Alleghany, Arlington, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Dickenson, Fairfax, Highland, King George, Montgomery and Rockbridge and the independent cities of Alexandria and Salem.

Protective Actions:

Local Emergency Declarations:

City of Alexandria – 26 June
Botetourt County – 27 June
Alleghany County – 27 June, Rescinded as of 28 June
City of Salem – 27 June
Fairfax County – 27 June

WEATHER FORECAST

Forecast:

Sunday, 2 July – Mostly sunny with highs in the upper 80's to mid 90's. The heat index in Central and Eastern Virginia could be as high as 101 degrees. Some areas of Southwest Virginia could experience isolated showers and thunderstorms during the afternoon hours. Winds will be from the West-Southwest between 5 – 15 mph. Overnight lows mid 60's to low 70's. Monday, 3 July – Partly cloudy with 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon for Southwest, Western, North Central and Northern Virginia. High temperatures will range from upper 80's to mid 90's with low temperatures in the upper 60's to low 70's. Winds will be West-Southwest 5 to 10 mph.

OPERATIONS SECTION

State Warning Point:

Receiving Local Situation and Initial Damage Assessment Reports from the localities. All weather watches and warnings have expired.

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Local Liaison: Regional Coordinators contacting localities to ascertain any preliminary damage assessments and standing ready to assist.

Legislative Liaison: Responding to inquiries from Congressional delegations and Senator Allen's office.

EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH

ESF 5 – Emergency Management: FEMA Region III State Liaison departed VEOC 30 June.

ESF 9 – Search & Rescue: *Rockbridge County requested assistance on 1 July with search and rescue on the James River. VDEM Search and Rescue Coordinator deployed to scene 3 July. Additional resources on scene include Virginia Search and Rescue Dog Association ; Amherst County SAR; Commonwealth SAR; K-9 Alert ; Blue and Gray Dog Team.*

HUMAN SERVICES BRANCH

ESF 6 – Mass Care, Housing and Human Services: *All shelters are closed and the Branch is standing by to provide assistance as requested.*

INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH

ESF 1 – Transportation: Virginia Department of Transportation: *As of 1100 hours 2 July, VDOT reported 3 Primary roads and 46 secondary roads closed.*

ESF 12 – Energy: *Dominion Virginia Power reports 225 customers statewide without electricity. The major areas affected are Gloucester/Northern Neck area where 203 customers are without electricity; restoration in progress.*

Electric Coops: No significant power outages statewide.

RECOVERY AND MITIGATION SECTION

Initial Damage Assessment Reports:	Locality	Private	Public
	Augusta County	\$500,000	N/A
	Fairfax County	\$4,015,485	\$620,000
	Prince William County	\$55,000	N/A
	Town of Herndon	\$8,000	\$4,000
	King George County	N/A	\$85,000
	City of Fredericksburg	N/A	\$10,000
	Arlington County	\$6,000,000	\$6,970,000
	Montgomery County	\$20,000	N/A
	City of Salem	\$57,000	\$22,055
	Botetourt County	\$342,065	N/A
	Town of Vinton	N/A	\$1,500
	York County	\$171,200	N/A
	Albemarle County	\$25,000	\$15,000
	Martinsville City	\$77,500	N/A
	Charlottesville City	\$100,000	N/A
	Dickenson County	\$25,000	\$68,000
	York County	\$170,200	\$1,000
	Warren County	\$20,000	\$15,000
	Total	\$11,586,450	\$8,011,555

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It is anticipated joint preliminary damage assessments could begin following the Independence Day Holiday.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES:

Localities continue to assess damages and report losses to the VEOC.

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